LAW SECRETARIAT

Maintenance of State Fund and District Board Roads.

READ—

Government Order No. L. 8-26—Ml. 147-29-2, dated 16th October 1929, directing that the liability of the Municipal Councils in regard to the maintenance of State Fund Roads lying within Municipal limits be fixed at half or three-fourths of the usual average mileage road maintenance charges.

2. Government Order No. L. 7257-67—Ml. 217-30-1, dated 7th March 1931, approving of the proposal that the contributions to be recovered from certain Municipalities specified therein in respect of the roads lying within their limits be fixed at one-fourth the usual mileage grant.

3. Government Order No. L 7840-58—Ml. 198-28-41, dated 16th April 1936, passing orders in regard to the maintenance of District Fund Roads passing through Municipal limits.

4. Government Order No. P. 3931-53—R. T. 7-36-2, dated 18th—21st December 1936, directing the apportionment of mileage cess and service-tax between the Local Bodies and the Government.

5. Correspondence ending with Un-official Note No. To. 764, dated 25th April 1939, from the Chief Engineer of Mysore, recommending that, in the circumstances stated, the Municipalities may be relieved from the burden of contributing towards the maintenance of provincial roads passing through their limits and furnishing the undermentioned abstract of the amount of contribution fixed and the arrears outstanding at the end of June 1938, in respect of the Municipalities in each district.

District	Amount of contribution fixed	Amount of arrears
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Kolar	1,702 0 0	.....
Tumkur	1,127 1 9	148 12 0
Mysore	1,972 11 0	9,304 13 0
Bangalore	668 0 0	279 12 0
Chitaldrug	1,466 11 6	445 6 0
Kadur	1,529 11 0	1,533 7 0
Hassan	1,931 4 0	1,701 4 0
Shimoga	2,255 0 0	970 3 6
Total ...	12,652 7 3	14,383 9 6

ORDER NO. L. 2204-23—ML. 50-38-27, DATED BANGALORE, THE 28TH AUGUST 1939.

Government observe that the Government order of 21st December 1936, read above, provided for the payment of the mileage cess and service-tax to the District Boards and the two City Municipalities only. The other municipalities are not being given a share in these taxes. The contributions due by several town and minor municipal councils towards the maintenance of the State Fund roads lying within the municipal limits have fallen into arrears and the municipal councils have, in view of their very slender resources, been repeatedly representing to Government the necessity for waiving the arrears and the discontinuance of the payment of the contribution. Government are therefore pleased to exempt, with effect from the year 1939-40, the town and minor municipal councils in the State from the payment of contributions towards such annual maintenance, including tarring, whenever that is done.

2. They further direct, in modification of the existing orders, that the State Fund and the District Board roads passing through towns and villages be maintained by the Public Works Department hereafter, without levying any contribution either from the municipal councils or the district boards for their maintenance.

3. Regarding the arrears of contributions due by the several municipal councils up to the end of June 1938, as stated above, as also those for the year 1938-39, the Deputy Commissioners of Districts are requested to see that necessary arrangements are made for their payment immediately.

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